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1. Political Prisoners

- In April 1951 approximately 60 persons were arrested and confined in the prison of Pirot.
- b. At the beginning of May 1951 approximately 600 persons were seized and incarcerated in the Central Prison of Nis. 1

2. Political Offices

- Until 8 April 1951, a certain Borivoje Pantelic was Chairman of the People's Council in the town of Pirot. Informant believes that Pantelic failed to be re-elected in April 1951.
- b. A certain Aca Shipa, a former Partisan, was the District Deputy to the Federal Parliament prior to 14 July 1951.
- c. A pre-war Communist by the name of Djoka Pavlovic was the District Deputy to the Serbian Parliament.

3. Economic Matters

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- Pirot authorities recently permitted craftsmen to open privately-owned workshops.
- b. Individuals were forbidden to open privately-owned butcher shops, fruit and vegetable shops or coffee houses.
- c. Pirot craftsmen complained of the high taxes and shortage of materials.

earlier arrests of Yugoslav citizens of Bulgarian origin in the Caribrod Area.

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